

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Examiner : Flemming SAETHER

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Customer No. : 23911

Title : Hydraulic Nut

Mail Stop AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REPLY

Sir:

In response to the Office action of December 8, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 11 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and a new sheet of drawings.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.